

WORLD OF RADIO #1264, produced February 16, 2005 by Glenn Hauser

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- *New COM 05-02 available at <http://www.dxing.com> and <http://worldofradio.com>
- *Also new edition of Mundo Radial via <http://www.worldofradio.com/espanol.html>
- *WOR back on SIU Edwardsville Web Radio, 0600 UT Sat, <http://webradio.siue.edu>
- *Chris Greenway sums up African SW scene in DXLD 5-029; partly here:
- *Congo DR: confirmed on: Candip 5066, Kahuzi 6210, Okapi 9550; but 6713 and 7435 not heard; nor new 4845
- *VOA adding new morning Studio 7 in English to Zimbabwe, from Feb 21, M-F 0330-0400 UT on 909, 4930, 6080; still eves 1700-1800
- *Uganda: active: 4976, 5026, 7110, 7195 but irregular, and under-powered; the one on 4976/7195 is weaker and poorly modulated
- *R. Ethiopia domestic 5990, 7110, 9704 active, but last two irregular. 5990 is now varying; 9704 propagates best, but with worst audio; external service: 7165 and 9560 active, but vary
- *Too bad Ethiopia is playing hip-hop instead of indigenous music; but 5 transmitters on air simultaneously, plus 4 from:
 - *R. Fana 6219 6940, with beautiful IS; V. of Tigre Revolution 5500 and 6350; heard in NH: 6940 at 0314-0333, better than 6210, calliope at 0330; R. Ethiopia, 7110 from *0300 but Cairo 7115 slop
 - *R. Peace, Sudan, 4750 at 0327, English ID 0348; Omdurman 7200 also active. No sign of R. Peace on 5895 yet, but occupied by Moscow in Persian, local evenings, unlisted
 - *R. Juba back on 693, including English music request and news at 1800
- *Big buzz on 21460 around 1500 is Holy Qur'an service, Saudi Arabia, malfunctioning transmitter, blasphemy
- *Heat's on Syria, so a look at clandestines to there: Arab Radio, 1600 on 12085 via Moldova, extremely strong in Finland, and on 7470 via Samara, Russia <http://www.arabicsyradio.org>
- *R. Free Syria, Sun 1900 via Germany 9495, invites other opposition groups to participate, daily 24 hours, but may be referring to satellite
- *Only active SW stations in Iraq are the Kurdish ones, which were clandestine during Saddam; see DXLD 5-026 for survey with IDs, schedules. 4025, V. of the People of Kurdistan; 4160, V. of Independence; 6315v, R. Roj; 6335, V. of Iraqi Kurdistan; 11530, V. of Mesopotamia via Moldova; lower ones have morning broadcasts; in North America try around 0230/0400
- *V. of Iranian Kurdistan, from Iraq, at 0305-0435, 3970.2, jammed and jumps to 3985, also on unjammed 4860; and on satellite; ondemand <http://www.rdki.com> and <http://www.pdk-iran.org> backs it
- *Switcheroo in MW Frequencies in the Gulf; R. Farda on new 1575, at 1520 mixing with VOA Thailand, after R. Asia, UAE moved from 1575 to

1557; but is Farda 1575 from UAE, planned new 800 KW, along with 800 kW on 1170; or from Kuwait?

*Farda 1575 already heard in Delaware at 0151-0220 // 9585

*New frequency for V. of the Iranian Nation, 1430-1500 on 11620, jammed, ex-15660; believed via CIA in Egypt

*R. Sedaye Zan, V. of Women [to Iran] via Germany, Sat 1900 on 9495, has been cancelled

*English from Pakistan at 1600 on 11570, 5080.3, Azad Kashmir 4790; Quetta 5027 unheard

*Crossing Continents on BBC Radio 4 was about Maldives, Feb 10, 14, and one may Listen Again

*Head of Prasar Bharati, India, plans to take Indian TV and radio to the vast diaspora; no mention of present SW service!

*Relay of FM Rainbow 102.6 New Delhi to Andamans on 11585, has ended, now back to various external services

*250 kW SW transmitters of AIR in Panaji Goa, named for rivers: Mandovi, Zuari; unfortunately, these rivers are not very clear

*Strife-torn Nepal: R. Nepal, 5005.4 still heard occasionally on reduced power, such as Feb 6 at 1520 until fade 1540, in Denmark; Feb 2 at 1600, in Finland on 5005.35

*The media magazine you monitor with your mind, World of Radio 1264, woradio at yahoo.com or PO Box 1684, Enid, OK 73702, USA; <http://www.worldofradio.com> for much more in DX Listening Digest

*Thanks this week for financial support go to John Babbis in Maryland

*Hmong Lao Radio now via WHRI South Carolina, Sat 1300-1400, Sun 1400-1500 on 15105, mainly for the Hmong in Hminnesota?

*R. Malaysia, Sarawak, reactivated on 5030 // 7130 in evenings; at 1515 but clashing with China; also maybe local mornings, but at 2300 we hear Burkina Faso on 5030 in French

*Low-power PBS Marulas, Valenzuela, Philippines back on 9581.90 ex 9619.90, but at 0500 spurs up to 9740, heard in Philippines

*R. Vanuatu, back on 7260.2v, heard as late as 0729 in Hawaii, and also tentatively at 1129-1140; nominal schedule only 2000-0600 but usually reported later. Once nighttime frequency 3945 (or 3940?) is back, will be harder for us to hear

*RA plans new schedule Feb 28; Grandstand, weekends will be on all frequencies, not just a few; New 2-hour magazine show for Pacific and Asia, a Radio Australia production

*RNZI Mailbox currently featuring broadcasting in Samoa; next one from end of Feb, about Niue; on demand via <http://www.rnzi.com>

*As of Feb 15, latest on ham DX-pedition to Peter I: it is a 'Go', after many delays, to depart Ushuaia Feb 18, to island in 5 or 6 days, but time shortened, quickly setting up a couple stations

*R. Cimarrona, Sun at 2245 missing from 9480, opposition program from Germany to southern Cone, so seems to be gone, or new schedule

*Brazil summer time ends Sat Feb 19, so much programming will start one UT hour later from 20th

*HCJB testing DRM Feb 14-25 on 3220 or 6095, 1000-1300, 2200-0100,

in Quichua, but only one at a time

*Reactivated Colombian on 6139.73: R. Lider, ex-R. Melodia, relaying HJCU 730; since Feb 12 at 0211 with musical requests; also heard at 1102-1118; Lider means Leader

*La Voz de tu Conciencia mixing product on 5810.81 very weak at 0031 in Venezuela

*R. Educacion, Mexico City, special DRM test one week only on 25620, was heard by gh Feb 10 at 2135, thanks to a sporadic E opening; no one on the DRM forums reported it

*VOA's Talk to America, M-F 1605, getting fewer and fewer phone calls even tho VOA pays; may change to another kind of talk show, with phone-ins only once a week; listen to and support the show!

*Bush budget for 2006 includes 21% increase for public diplomacy and 10% for international broadcasting

*USA Today article suggests ``Bits of America`` for laptops abroad, http://www.usatoday.com/money/industries/technology/maney/2005-02-08-maney_x.htm

*WHRI Noblesville IN antennas have been dismantled, and the two transmitters will be moved to Maine and South Carolina, which is now officially WHRI ex-WSHB

*WMLK, 9265, Pennsylvania missing for weeks until Feb 15, barely heard on 9265.04 at 1910

*WRNO New Orleans plans to start testing new 100 kW transmitter in next couple weeks, 15420 days, 7355 at night, with religion; has been silent for years

*Feb 11 was 41st anniversary of Herb Jepko's Nightcap on KSL, first national talk radio show; and later some other big stations; all about it at <http://www.nitecaps.org> including audio clips

*Three MW DX tests early Sunday Feb 20: 0600-0700 UT, WISN 1130 and WOKY 920 Milwaukee; 0705-0800 KEVA 1240 Evanston WY; listen for CW IDs and tones amid regular programming

*Pirate in Paseo district of Oklahoma City, on 93.9, Thu and Sun nights, R. Free OKC

*Competition for BBCM? School of Oriental and African Studies at London University establishing Arab media unit with weekly analyses

*Expat Finns petitioning to preserve SW from YLE R. Finland; not decided yet; a big campaign, which R. Finland is NOT involved in

*Next European Music Radio via Latvia 9290, Sun Feb 20 1500-1620 incliding letterbox; and Sat Feb 26 EMR World Service at 2100-2200

*TWR Romanian service 1930-2000 on new 1566, ex-1467 from Moldova; clearing 1457 for Vatican via France/Monaco

*Propagation outlook from Boulder February 15; flux range 120-85-100

*With a standard disclaimer

*Glenn Hauser here, concluding World of Radio 1264 ###